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FOLLOW-UP TO THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairperson of the Commission

Fiftieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration
of Human Rights

The Commission on the Status of Women,

Recalling, on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,¹ that the Universal Declaration reiterates the equal rights of women and men contained in the Charter of the United Nations, and entitles everyone to the rights and freedoms set forth in the Universal Declaration without distinction on the basis of sex,

Recalling also that gender mainstreaming is a key strategy for achieving equality between women and men and the full enjoyment of all human rights by women,

1. Calls upon the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council, the Commission on Human Rights and the United Nations system as a whole to ensure that the human rights of women form an integral part of all activities in the commemoration of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and are also especially addressed through targeted activities;

2. Recommends that all activities for the commemoration should address the human rights of women, with a view to achieve common understanding and awareness on the promotion and protection of all human rights of women by, for instance, inviting gender experts to participate or contribute and devoting specific attention to the theme "Human rights of women";

¹ General Assembly resolution 217 A (III).

3. Also recommends that specific activities be undertaken to highlight the human rights of women, i.a., the analysis of obstacles in the realization of their rights;

4. Encourages Member States as well as other actors in the human rights field, to also mainstream a gender perspective into their commemorative activities.
